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Timely Tidbits ...

Heritage Day Plans Are Still a "Go"

Despite the cancellation of the annual Romulus Michigan Week Festival, a Heritage Day celebration scheduled as part of the weekend's events will go ahead, as planned, on Saturday, May 20. Preparing for the event are the Romulus Historical Society, the Romulus Historical Commission, and the City of Romulus.

Highlighting the festivities will be a 2 p.m. groundbreaking ceremony for the Samuel R. Kingsley and Peter C. Bird houses – two historical structures which are scheduled to be moved to the Romulus Historic Park, located across the street from the Romulus Historical Museum and the Post Office at Goddard Road and Hunt Street.

Following the ceremony, the Historical Museum will be open to the public (admission is free) for one hour.

For more information, call Pearl Varner (697-9628) or Phyllis Kreft (941-3087).

Hunter Safety Courses To Be Offered

Members of the Romulus Police Department and local attorney, Brian A. Oakley, have recently formed an organization for the purpose of providing outdoor safety instruction to area residents of all ages.

Hunter Safety courses are currently planned for June 17 and 18 and September 16 and 17. Applications will be available at the Romulus Police Department approximately 30 days before each course. The group plans, eventually, to offer boating and off-road vehicle classes as well.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars has graciously offered to host both Hunter Safety courses, as they have in the past.

For more information, interested individuals may call Chief Daryl Poe or officer Tom Ellis at the Romulus Police Department: 941-8400. □

Pitoniak Opposes Revenue-sharing Cuts for Michigan's Municipalities

State Representative Greg Pitoniak has co-sponsored House Joint Resolution "O," which calls for a constitutional amendment that would prevent the cutting of future State revenue-sharing payments to Michigan's counties, cities, and townships.

"Congress has been cutting Federal services and dollars over the years and passing the buck to states," Pitoniak said. "Governor John Engler has been doing the same to our local governments by reducing State revenue-sharing payments."

Revenue sharing of the sales tax is currently required under the State constitution. Although current State laws covering the Single Business Tax and income tax also include provisions mandating that revenue be shared with cities, villages, and townships, these are not presently guaranteed under the constitution.

In his proposed 1995-1996 budget, Governor Engler is seeking to change the State revenue-sharing formula in order to cut \$81 million intended for

local units of government. Pitoniak noted that State revenue-sharing payments have never been fully funded since Governor Engler took office. According to Pitoniak, revenue sharing has been reduced by more than \$290 million in the past few years.

Pitoniak also pointed out that, according to recent Michigan Municipal League (MML) fiscal estimates, it is projected that in 1995-1996, under Governor Engler's revenue-sharing plan, the City of Romulus will receive approximately \$104,916 less than it would receive under the current revenue-sharing formula.

Wayne County also will lose an estimated \$2,798,485.

The bipartisan resolution has received more than 70 Democratic and Republican co-sponsors. If approved by a two-thirds majority of the House and Senate and signed into law by the Governor, the resolution would go on the ballot for voter approval in the general election scheduled for November, 1996. □



Representative Greg Pitoniak

Circus Returns to Romulus

The Greater Romulus Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce that the Franzen Bros. Circus will be returning to Romulus's Senior Citizen's Park (downtown Romulus) on Monday, June 26, to perform two shows: one at 4:30 p.m., the second at 7 p.m. The shows are a wonderful exhibition of elephants, lions, tigers, horses, ponies, jugglers, acrobats, clowns, and more, performed in the old-fashioned, intimate atmosphere of a circus tent.

The entertainment actually begins early in the morning on the show date, since the setup of the circus is a spectacle in itself. Other attractions offered throughout the afternoon include pony and elephant rides (for a nominal charge) and a petting zoo for the kids.

Tickets are \$5 if purchased in advance; \$7 at the door. Advance tickets will probably go on sale next week.

For more information, contact Karan Johnson at the Chamber of Commerce office (326-4290) any weekday between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. □

Annual Romulus Michigan Week Festival Canceled

The annual Romulus Michigan Week Festival, scheduled for the weekend of May 19-21, has been cancelled, according to Festival chairperson Laurie Klukowski. She apologized to the community for the announcement's "eleventh-hour" nature, which she blamed on a communications mixup with Wade Shows, the carnival around which the event has centered for several years.

According to Klukowski, the Committee only recently learned that Wade Shows was not planning to honor the final year of a three-year contract with the Committee. After an unsuccessful attempt to find a last-minute alternative, the Committee conceded defeat and announced the Festival's cancellation.

Klukowski heatedly disputed a recent *Romulus Roman* article which, she felt, pointed a finger of blame

toward the Committee for what happened and implied that Committee members were not returning the newspaper's phone calls. She also asserted that, contrary to one statement which appeared in the article, the Committee had not failed to apply for its state bingo license or any other required license; rather, it had "put a hold" on making the applications while it investigated the possibility of finding a replacement for the Wade Shows carnival.

Klukowski assured the public that the Committee plans to resume its Michigan Week Festival next year, but admitted that putting together such an event is difficult for the Committee's woefully small membership total of seven. She invited anyone who is interested in becoming involved in the planning for next year's event to contact the Committee's hotline number: 955-1440. □

Community Calendar

- **Bennett Holds District Office Hours** – In order to give his constituents a chance to meet with him, one-on-one, without traveling to his Lansing office, State Senator Loren Bennett has invited the public to attend one of the following "district office hours" sessions: Friday, May 12, 1 to 3 p.m. (City Council Chambers, Romulus City Hall, 11111 South Wayne Road); Friday, May 19, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Fred C. Fischer Library, 167 Fourth Street, Belleville); Friday, May 26, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (City Council Chambers, Westland City Hall, 36601 Ford Road); Friday, June 2, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (City Council Chambers, Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road); and Friday, June 9, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. (Youth Department Room, Canton Township Public Library, 1200 South Canton Center Road). For more information, call Senator Bennett's Lansing office: (517) 373-7350.
- **A Chorus Line** – The Huron Civic Theatre will continue its presentation of *A Chorus Line* (note: mature theme) at the Huron Civic Auditorium (32044 Huron River Drive, New Boston) through May 14. Curtain times are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday; 3 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$9 for adults; \$8 for senior citizens/students. For more information, call 782-5380 or 654-0167.
- **WCCC Summer Registration** – Final registration for students wishing to attend Wayne County Community College's summer semester will be held May 15 through May 24. For more information, call (313) 496-2600.
- **Barth Kindergarten Roundup** – Barth Elementary School's kindergarten roundup, for children who will be five on or before December 1, 1995, will be held on Tuesday, May 16, from 9 to 11 a.m. To make an appointment, call 941-2821.
- **Foster Parenting Informational Meeting** – If you would like to learn more about how you can make a difference in a child's life by becoming a foster parent, you can do so by attending an informational meeting that's being given by the Girlstown Foundation foster parent program at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, at 397 Main Street, Suite 3, in downtown Belleville. For more information, call 697-4804.
- **CPR Class** – "Learning To Save a Life," a CPR class conducted by the American Red Cross, will be held at the Hearts and Flowers Bridal Chapel (31242 Ecorse Road at Merriman, in the shopping center) beginning at 9 a.m. on Saturday, May 20. Cost is \$25 (materials included). Preregistration required. Call 722-7400.
- **SCCGC Pastoral Anniversary Celebration** – The Saint City Church of God in Christ cordially invites the public to attend its Pastoral Anniversary Celebration for Superintendent and Mrs. James L. Whitehead, Jr., on Thursday, June 1, at 7 p.m. Special guest speaker/church: Pastor Marvin Winans/The Perfecting Church of Detroit. For further information, please contact Margaret Green at 722-9536.
- **Free Weight Watchers Meetings** – Weight Watchers will be offering free introductory meetings at all of its Centers from June 4 through June 24, 1995. For meeting times and locations, please call 1-800-487-4777.
- **Head Start/MDE Preschool Programs Seek Students** – The Romulus Head Start and Michigan Department of Education preschool programs are recruiting eligible three- and four-year-olds for September 1995. These free preschool programs, held at Beverly School, serve children from low-income families, foster children, and children with disabilities. For information, call 728-7815.

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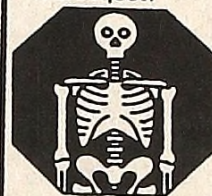
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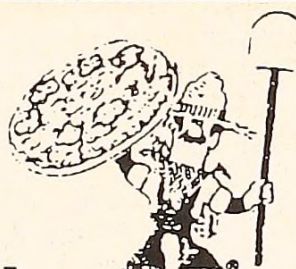
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Lansing Update

For the Week of May 8, 1995

By State Representative Greg Pitoniak Consumer Advisory Issued

The Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) is currently investigating the presence of Methyl Parathion, a highly toxic restricted-use pesticide, in pest-control products which may be used by unsuspecting consumers for indoor insect pest control.

At this point in the investigation, the MDA is issuing a consumer advisory for the following products which may contain Methyl Parathion: Hudson's Ant and Roach Killer and Dynamite Roach Killer. These products are in liquid form. Consumers should also avoid any suspicious pesticide purchased in a container with no label.

Methyl parathion is a restricted-use pesticide that is only allowed for use by State-certified (tested) applicators. Its sale to and use by the general public is not permitted by State and Federal law. Methyl parathion is also limited to outdoor use on only a few agricultural crops such as corn and cotton. It is not legal to use products containing methyl parathion inside buildings where people live or work.

Methyl parathion is a highly toxic insecticide. A person can be exposed to this material by oral ingestion, skin contact with treated surfaces, and inhalation. Poisoning symptoms may include a wide range of effects such as sweating, dizziness, excess salivation, muscle tremors, headache, muscle weakness, diarrhea, blurred vision, nausea, and vomiting. Persons concerned about possible exposure to this chemical are advised to consult their physician.

Persons who have Hudson Ant and Roach Killer, Dynamite Roach Killer, or any unlabeled pesticide product in their possession should double-bag it and place it out of the reach of children and animals. MDA will issue instructions for disposing the product once results from the ongoing investigation are known.

Anyone wanting more information about the health impacts of methyl parathion can call Dr. David Wade at the MDA: 517-373-1087.

Republican Majority Takes Away Your Right To Sue

Legislation to limit consumers' rights to sue companies over their products passed the House recently on a strict partisan vote and moved to the Senate for debate. Consumers will be unable to sue for appropriate awards of money for damages they received from inferior products. Changes to the current laws will encourage companies to make cheap, even deadly products, and leave the consumers who purchase them with

no chance of holding these companies liable.

House Raises Lottery Payouts For Instant-ticket Games

Players in the Michigan Lottery's instant-ticket games can look forward to collecting more prize money soon. The House gave final approval last week to a bill that lets the lottery increase the payouts for its games. The bill now goes to the Governor for his signature. The payouts will be increased from the current 55% to 65% on instant games in the next three to six months; there would be no immediate change to Michigan Lotto.

MET Fund To Get Refund From IRS

The Federal government ended its five-year battle with the State of Michigan over the Michigan Education Trust (MET), leaving the State's prepaid tuition program in line for a \$70-million refund. The IRS decided to accept a U.S. Court of Appeals ruling that held MET exempt from federal taxes. As a result, the IRS owes the State \$54 million in taxes and about \$16 million in interest. This decision could lead MET's board of directors to consider reopening enrollment for the first time in five years. About 55,000 children have been enrolled in this program by parents, grandparents, and others throughout the State. A number of audits have found the MET financially sound, even before the tax ruling. The Engler administration has doubts about whether to reopen the program.

Just What Part of "NO" Don't They Understand?

Michigan motorists would get a deal that would be even worse than what they were offered (and overwhelmingly defeated) in Proposals C and D under legislation (HB 4341) passed by the House recently. The new House bill is worse because it does not even pretend to roll back rates. The most recent offer on the ballot was the measure that could have rolled back rates for six months. Voters cast a resounding "NO" to this proposal, yet the Republican-controlled Legislature wants to revive it.

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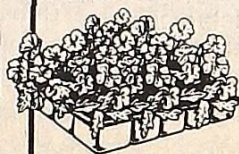
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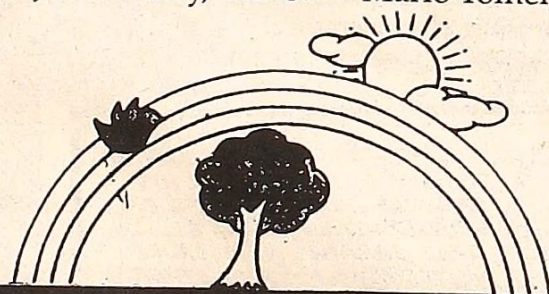
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CHEESE BLINTZ

makes 10 servings

- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup plus 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- Granulated sugar substitute to equal $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar
- $2\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoons double-acting baking powder
- $\frac{1}{8}$ teaspoon salt
- 3 large eggs
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup reduced-calorie tub margarine
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup skim milk
- $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups part-skim ricotta cheese
- 8 ounces reduced-calorie cream cheese, softened
- 2 large eggs
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup granulated sugar
- 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon grated lemon peel
- 1 teaspoon grated orange peel
- Dash salt

Preheat oven to 300°F. Spray 13-by-9-inch baking pan with nonstick cooking spray; set aside.

To prepare batter, in large bowl, with electric mixer on medium speed, mix flour, sugar substitute, baking powder, salt, eggs, margarine, and milk until just blended. (Do not overmix.)

To prepare filling, in separate large bowl, with electric mixer on low speed, mix remaining ingredients until blended.

Pour half the batter into prepared pan. Gently pour filling on top, being careful not to mix layers; pour remaining batter over cheese mixture. Bake until golden brown and set, $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Let stand 10 minutes before cutting, or cover and refrigerate until ready to serve. (Can be served either chilled or at room temperature.)

Each serving provides: 1 fat; $1\frac{1}{2}$ protein, $\frac{1}{2}$ bread; 90 optional calories on the Weight Watchers food plan.

Per serving: 280 calories; 14 g. protein; 16 g. fat; 21 g. carbohydrate; 275 mg. calcium; 493 mg. sodium; 137 mg. cholesterol; 0 g. dietary fiber.

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makes 2 servings

- 3 cups cold brewed coffee
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup skim milk
- 1 tablespoon grated lemon peel
- 6 whole cloves
- 6 whole allspice berries
- 2 cinnamon sticks
- Granulated sugar substitute to equal 2 tablespoons sugar

In 4-quart glass measure, combine all ingredients. Let stand 1 hour to develop flavors. Strain into 2 ice-filled, 10-ounce glasses.

Each serving provides: $\frac{1}{4}$ milk on the Weight Watchers food plan.

Per serving: 39 calories; 2 g. protein 0 g. fat; 7 g. carbohydrate; 95 mg. calcium; 85 mg. sodium; 1 mg. cholesterol; 0 g. dietary fiber.

ISLAND FRUIT SALAD

makes 4 servings, about 1 cup each

- 1 medium grapefruit, peeled and sectioned
- $\frac{1}{4}$ medium pineapple, cut into chunks (reserve juice)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ medium banana, diced
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup fresh or frozen blueberries
- 2 tablespoons chopped, fresh mint leaves
- 2 tablespoons toasted, shredded coconut

In large bowl, combine all ingredients; toss to mix well. Cover and refrigerate until well chilled.

Each serving provides: $1\frac{1}{2}$ fruits; 15 optional calories on the Weight Watchers food plan.

Per serving: 81 calories; 1 g. protein; 1 g. fat; 18 carbohydrate; 3 mg. sodium; 0 mg. cholesterol; 1 g. dietary fiber.

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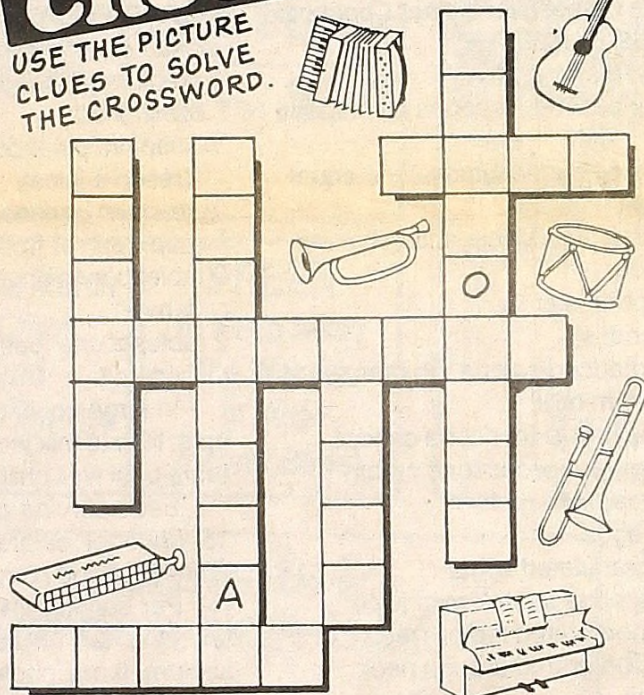
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In some cases animals can be left at home with a responsible neighbor if he or she comes in each day with fresh food and water. He or she must be willing to walk a dog or change a cat's litter box. The neighbor should be prepared to spend some time with the animal.

A family pet is likely to suffer from loneliness and boredom almost as much as it would from lack of food and water.

If you or your parents are intending to leave your pet in a boarding establishment, make sure it is one that your vet would recommend. And remember that establishments with good reputations get booked early in the year so make your arrangements as soon as possible.

It might also be worth

taking your parents along to inspect the boarding establishment before making a reservation, and again that should be done well before your vacation. Otherwise, if you find the kennel unsatisfactory when you deliver your pet, it might be too late to make alternative arrangements.

In order to make your pet as comfortable as possible, list his food and meal times, and also take to the kennels his own basket, food dishes and toys.

If your pet is going on vacation with you by car, take plenty of fresh water for the journey. He will also travel better if you don't feed him before starting out.

It is also vital that your parents break their trip by making frequent stops, because the animal will suffer if confined for long periods without exercise.

In addition, make sure your dog or cat is wearing a collar with your name and address listed on it, not only when traveling but at all times.

Enjoy your summer vacation — but make sure it is a happy, comfortable and safe one for your pet, too.

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Sacred cats

Many people think a lot of their pet cats, but at one time there were people who regarded cats as sacred.

The Egyptians worshiped them about 3,000 years ago, making them wear necklaces and jewels in their ears.

Figures of cats were kept in people's homes and were buried in their tombs.

When the cats themselves died they were buried with great respect and their bodies were mummified.

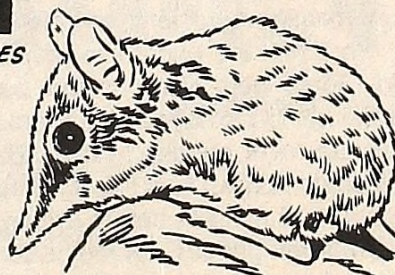
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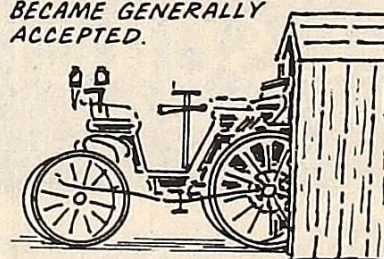
THE ELEPHANT SHREW LIVES IN SOUTH AND CENTRAL AFRICA. IT IS SO-NAMED BECAUSE OF ITS LONG NOSE WHICH HELPS IT TO DETECT INSECTS AND BECAUSE, AT AROUND 12 INCHES LONG IT IS LARGER THAN OTHER SHREWS.



IN 1922, AT THE AGE OF ONLY 24, A WOMAN WHO HAD BEEN MARRIED 62 TIMES WAS TAKEN TO COURT. SHE WAS PROSECUTED BECAUSE 61 OF HER "MARRIAGES" WERE BIGAMOUS!



THE FIRST PERSON IN ENGLAND TO HAVE A GARAGE FOR HIS CAR WAS A DR. BARRETT, OF SOUTHPORT, IN 1899. AT FIRST GARAGES WERE CALLED "MOTOR STABLES" AND OTHER NAMES BUT EVENTUALLY THE FRENCH WORD "GARAGE" BECAME GENERALLY ACCEPTED.





When You Pull Out The Bikes, Be Sure To Lock In The Safety

It's spring! Time to dust off the bicycles, don a helmet, pull up the kickstand, and enjoy pedaling in the fresh breezes of May.

In Michigan, many children are doing just that – but, unfortunately, some are bicycling with abandon, unaware of how to ride safely.

Should we be concerned? Yes.

Eighteen bicyclists under 15 died Statewide in 1993 – 62% of the 29 bicycle deaths in Michigan that year.

"Studies suggest young riders' mistakes often cause crashes with cars," says Jerry Basch, AAA Michigan Community Safety Services manager. "That's true for boys and girls up to the age of age 12."

Part of the difficulty is inaccurate perception, he said. As a result, young riders sometimes misjudge the speed of oncoming vehicles.

"Children may think it's safe to cross the street when it's often dangerous," Basch says. "The gap in traffic may be too short for a safe crossing."

Young riders can reduce the risk of crashes with cars by following these guidelines.

- Be cautious when entering roadways from driveways and alleys. Remem-

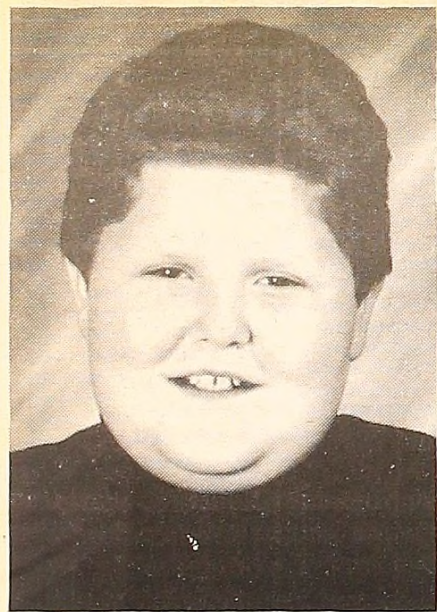
ber to slow down, stop, and look for traffic.

- Ride with traffic on the right-hand side of the street.
- Stop at stop signs.
- Obey traffic signals and watch for turning vehicles.
- Signal before turning and look before changing lanes.

Parents can play a key role in helping children ride safely, Basch adds. For safe fun, here are a few reminders this spring bicycling season.

- Riders should always wear helmets! About 80% of bicycle deaths involve head injuries. Fewer than two percent of children regularly wear helmets.
- Coach children before they move from sidewalk to street riding to make sure they can do so safely. They should know the "Rules of the Road" for bicycling safely and the risks of sharing the road with motor vehicles, and demonstrate the judgement and maturity necessary for safe riding.
- Inspect bikes to make sure the brakes and tires are in good condition.
- Make sure bicycles are sized properly to children. In a traffic situation, kids may have difficulty controlling a bicycle that is too big. □

Happy Birthday (Friday, May 12) Teddy Hall



Congratulations to Earl DeCoster for winning the City Environmental Services-sponsored drawing for a new Soilsaver Composter.

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REGULAR MEETING, APRIL 24, 1995

The Regular Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, April 24, 1995 was called to order at 7:30 P.M. by President Sandra F. Langley.

Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandra F. Langley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

4/95/19 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Hoffman to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

4/95/20 Moved by Patterson supported by Kesner to approve the Minutes of April 5 and April 10, 1995 meetings as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS AND EXPRESSIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

Members of the audience discussed the following items of concern and/or interest with the Board of Education: 1) Mrs. Langley acknowledged receipt of notices for the Downriver L.D.A. meeting on Tuesday, May 2, 1995 and the Downriver C.H.A.D.D. meeting on May 16, 1995; 2) Letter from WCRESA; and 3) Technical Publishing communique.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

Personnel Actions

None.

Bills for Payment

4/95/21 Moved by Patterson supported by Hoffman to approve the Bills for Payment as presented by Mr. Joel R. Carr, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Teen Health Center - 1994 Annual Report

Ms. Diane Vidovic, Co-director of the Teen Health Center, presented the 1994 Annual Report to the Board of Education and responded to questions asked by Members of the Board.

State Aid Note - 1995-96 Michigan Municipal Bond Authority

4/95/22 Moved by Hoffman supported by Patterson that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution to borrow an amount not to exceed \$4,950,000 in the form of a State Aid note for our 1995-96 cash flow needs from the Michigan Municipal Bond Authority. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

State Aid Note Resolution - 1995-96 Private Borrowing

4/95/23 Moved by Patterson supported by Kesner that the Board of Education adopt the attached resolution to borrow an amount not to exceed \$4,950,000 from financial institutions who bid the note. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Resolution on Retirement Plan

4/95/24 Moved by Patterson supported by Gondek that the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent to notify employees that the Romulus Schools has investigated "Voluntary Incentive Retirement Plans" and has determined that the District will not be able to offer such a plan for the foreseeable future because of declining enrollment, current age of staff, and other financial considerations. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Kindergarten Resolution

4/95/25 Moved by Gondek supported by Patterson to accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve alternate day kindergarten beginning in the 1995-96 school year; as opposed to the one-half day session previously scheduled. This will be reviewed after one year to determine its effectiveness. Ayes: 5. Nays: 2 (Langley and Kesner). Motion carried.

Insurance Proposal - Foreign Travel

4/95/26 Moved by Gondek supported by Hoffman to approve the proposal for foreign liability renewal policy written with CIGNA Insurance Company effective April 3, 1995. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Items of Interest from the Superintendent

Dr. William M. Bedell, Superintendent, discussed the following items of interest with Members of the Board of Education: 1) "Thanks" - Dolan to Schwartz; 2) "Thanks" - Dolan on Domestic Violence Symposium; 3) "Thanks" - Crestwood to K. Hurst; and 4) State Superintendent's Meeting - Proficiency Test.

Questions and/or Concerns of Board Members

Mrs. Julie Oleszkowicz inquired about the scheduling for the Domestic Violence Symposium for our students. Mrs. Sandra F. Langley asked when our students would participate.

Mrs. Judie Gondek asked the following: 1) If the technology at the Middle School was up and running; 2) Has the Gifted and Talented Program begun; and 3) If all the libraries were in the Alexandria system yet.

Executive Session - Negotiations

4/95/27 Moved by Gondek supported by Kesner to convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 9:07 P.M. and convened in Regular Session at 9:39 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

4/95/28 Moved by Kesner supported by Hoffman that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Middle School Students Honored for March Efforts

Teachers selected a total of 79 Romulus Middle School students for "Student of the Month" honors in March because of the youths' exceptional behavioral and academic performance during that time period. Students attending April 12 ceremonies recognizing their achievement received a certificate and a \$50 U.S. savings bond.

It is with great pleasure that I congratulate the following students for their fine efforts: Willie Addrow, Paul Anderson, Steve Anzalone, Shamika Ash, Kristina Atherton, Lisa Bartnicki, Ramona Bauman, Amanda Bilbrey, Brian Blair, Aaron Brohl, Carrie Brown, Andy Chapman, Brandy Clark, Cynthia Clayton, Talia Clemons, Tim Collins, Kelly Copeland, Raphael Crawford, Lianna Daly, Jeremy Davidson, Michele Dick, David Dunmore, Novia Edwards, Lisa Evitts, Misty Fabrizio, Robert Flournoy, Erica Gambril, Corey Gentile, Matthew Gibbons, Akida Gill, Julie Golden, Brandon Gomes, Laura Gunn, Kristi Hardrick, Claude Hawkins, Bria Henderson-Davis, Melvin Hicks, Jennifer Hoffman, Edward Horton, Teanntray Howard, James Jackson, Krystle Johnson, Wendy Kelsey, Robert Kimble, Matthew Ladach, Nicole Laskaska, Quan Lee, Melissa Lindquist, Nicklaus Locklear (Athlete), Andre Long, Victor Lucaj, Marie Madison, JoNeke McClain, Angela McKinnie, Crystal Mendalski, Kimberly Mientkiewicz, Crystal Mincovsky, Yoruba Mitchell, Brandon Moss, Cary Nehila, Mandy Pate, Jeremy Robertson, Linda Ryznar, Holly Scibilia, Jannetta Sewell, Rebecca Shelby, Susan Sherbrook, Carissa Slone, Donald Stanley,

Kimberly Studstill, Amee Swauger, Christopher Szostek, Angela Terry, Brooke Thompson, Elishia Tromblay, Lisa Wands, Sarah Wilhide, Andrea Williams, and Reginald Williams.

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SPECIAL MEETING, MAY 1, 1995

The Special Meeting of the Romulus Board of Education held on Monday, May 1, 1995 was called to order at 5:55 P.M. by President Sandra F. Langley.

Roll call showed all Members present. All Administrators were present.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandra F. Langley.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

5/95/1 Moved by Oleszkowicz supported by Hoffman to approve the Agenda as presented. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT:

5/95/2 Moved by Gondek supported by Kesner that the Board convene in Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations/evaluations. Roll call vote showed: Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board convened in Executive Session at 5:57 P.M.

5/95/3 Moved by Hoffman supported by Gondek that the Board reconvene in Regular Session. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The Board reconvened in Regular Session at 6:44 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT:

5/95/4 Moved by Patterson supported by Kesner that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth E. Berlinn, Secretary
Romulus Board of Education

Sassy Seniors

By Mary E. Clark

Special thanks to Audry Moomaw, Manager of the Romulus Tower; Marilyn Hoffer, Senior Citizens Coordinator for the City of Romulus; and Barbara Schultz, Romulus Senior Center staff member, for contributing information to this issue's "Sassy Seniors" column. (Note: Call 942-6852 for more information about events at the Romulus Senior Center, located at 36515 Bibbins.)

Happy Birthday!

Best wishes for a wonderful birthday to those of my Tower neighbors born in May: Noel Baker, Lola Diebel, Art Fischer, Dorothy Icenogle, Mary Krieger, Helen Rounke, Vera Walton.

Closed for the Holiday

The Romulus Senior Center will be closed on Monday, May 29, in recognition of the Memorial Day holiday.

Garage Sales

Speaking of Memorial Day ... Romulus seniors will have a chance to sample the best of the Memorial Day weekend's garage sales when the Senior Van tours the area in search of the biggest bargains. The cost of transportation is \$1.50; sign up at the Center.

Legal Aid

Wayne County residents at least 60 years of age can take advantage of free legal assistance for most civil matters on Wednesday, May 17, at the Bryant Drop-in Center library (22100 Michigan Avenue at Mason, Dearborn; 943-4083) beginning at 10 a.m., or on Wednesday, May 24, at the Romulus Senior Center (36515 Bibbins; 942-6852) starting at 9:30 a.m. No appointment is necessary; service is limited to the first 25 arrivals.

Free Health Screening

Thanks to the sponsorship of the Senior Alliance, Romulus seniors age 60 and over can take advantage of a free health screening (donations accepted) to be offered from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Thursday, May 18, at the Romulus Senior Center. Included in the screening will be blood and urine lab tests, a blood-sugar check, a TB test, vision and hearing checks, and more.

Soup & Salad Luncheon

This month, instead of a potluck meal, the Romulus Senior Center will host a Soup & Salad Luncheon at 12 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17. Cost is \$1; preregistration (by Monday, May 15) is required.

Shopping Trips

For a transportation fee of \$1.50, Romulus seniors can ride the Center's van to shop Livonia Mall on Friday, May 19. Sign up at the Center.

Special Trips

Seniors interested in more information about these or other trips planned by the Romulus Senior Center may contact Marilyn Hoffer at 942-6852.

• Mackinac Island's Grand Hotel

Spend three days/two nights at the beautiful, historic Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island! The \$305 cost of the trip (based on double occupancy), which departs October 24, covers round-trip motorcoach transportation; a round-trip ticket for the ferry; a carriage tour ride; a visit to Fort Mackinac State Park with a special guide and program; golf, croquet, and bocce ball tournaments; and special events like dancing, movies, a banquet, early-bird walks, bingo, card socials, historic slide presentations, a sing-a-long, and much more! This trip fills up fast, so sign up soon (final payment due by Saturday, July 15) to reserve your space for an opportunity to enjoy Michigan's jewel—Mackinac Island.

• **Queen of Saugatuck**—Lunch at a beautiful restaurant located right on the Kalamazoo River, shopping in downtown Saugatuck (an artisan community similar to Provincetown in Cape Code, Massachusetts), and a one-and-a-quarter-hour boat ride (down the Kalamazoo River and into Lake Michigan) on the 82-passenger sternwheeler, the *Queen of Saugatuck*, are the highlights of this day-trip, scheduled for Friday, July 14. The cost of \$45 must be paid by Wednesday, June 14.

World Medical Relief

The World Medical Relief program serves low-income seniors with low-cost prescriptions (\$2.50 each). To qualify, you must be at least 62 years of age; have a monthly net income of not more than \$800 for singles or \$1,000 for couples; and have savings of not more than \$2,000 for singles or \$3,500 for couples. For more information, please call Pam at Family & Neighborhood Services: 782-9800.

Focus: HOPE for Seniors

Single seniors (age 60 and over) with income of not more than \$797 per month, or couples with income of not more than \$1,066 per month, can apply for Focus: HOPE food boxes at the Family & Neighborhood Services—West Office (19101 Inkster Road, Romulus). Proof of income (including 1995 Social Security benefits and/or pension statements) must be provided. For more information, call Pam at 782-9800. □

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ASSEMBLY OF GOD—36572 Goddard / 941-4014 / Rev. James R. O'Guin, Pastor / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6:30 p.m. / Tuesday Evening Service—7 p.m. / Thursday Youth Night—7 p.m.

BALL ROAD TABERNACLE—7007 Ball Rd. / 722-9638

BELLEVILLE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH—11900 Belleville Rd. / Belleville / 697-8687 / Rev. Deborah Vanleuven Kerr, Pastor / Sunday School—9:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. / Craft Circle—Thursday, 9:30 a.m. / Women's Association Meeting—2nd Tuesday of some months—7:30 p.m.

BETHANY APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH—34584 Beverly Rd. / 729-4240 / Elder Reginald Williams, Pastor / Sunday School—9:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11:15 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—7:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH—30055 Ecorse Rd. / 728-1845

BETHANY CHRISTIAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH—35737 Vinewood / 326-0810 / Robert L. Gordon, Pastor / Sunday School—10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m.

BEVERLY HOUSE OF GOD CHURCH—34156 Beverly Rd. / 729-6440 / Dr. Lovell Wooden, Sr., Pastor / Sunday School—9:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11:30 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—7:30 p.m. / Thursday Prayer Service—12 p.m. / Thursday Choir Rehearsal—6 p.m. / Thursday Bible Study—7:30 p.m. / Free Transportation—Call 729-6440

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH—11338 Ozga Rd. / 941-0236 / Marvin Hawbaker, Pastor / Sunday School—10 a.m. / Sunday Adult Bible Study—10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6 p.m. / Wednesday Bible Study—7 p.m.

CHURCH OF CHRIST—9426 S. Wayne Rd. / Office: 721-2585 / Phil Morr, Evangelist / Sunday Bible Study—10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6 p.m. / Wednesday Evening Worship—7 p.m.

CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY—7201 Kempa St. / 729-2283

CHURCH OF GOD-ROMULUS—8770 S. Wayne Rd. / 729-4884 / Parsonage: 729-7234 / Rev. Douglas M. Bishop, Pastor / Sunday School—10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Sunday Children's Church—11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6:30 p.m. / Family Training Service—Wednesday, 7 p.m.

CHURCH OF OUR LORD JESUS MIRACLE TEMPLE—36949 Goddard / 941-6070

COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH—6200 Fourth St. / 729-0630 / 419-727-0631 / Rev. Hiram McBurrowst, Pastor / Sunday School—9:30 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6 p.m.

COMMUNITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH—11160 Olive St. / 941-3474 / Brad Lewis, Pastor / 941-0736 / Sunday School—9:30 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m.

FAITH HOPE BAPTIST CHURCH—Oakbrooke Villa Club House / 30251 Elm Street (1 Block South of Eureka) / Rev. Earl W. Ellison, Sr., Pastor / 941-4855 or 721-8489 / Sunday School—10:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11:30 a.m.

FIRST ASSEMBLY OF GOD—870 Savage Rd. / Belleville / 699-6700 / Kenneth W. Miller, Pastor / Sunday School—9:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6 p.m. / Wednesday Family Night—7 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—11412 Delano St. / 941-0225

FRIENDSHIP COMMUNITY CHURCH—19101 Inkster Rd. / Brownstown / 782-1220 / Sunday Morning Worship—10 a.m. / Adult Bible Study and Sunday School—11:30 a.m. / Nursery available / Active Drama Team

MARTIN TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST—6566 S. Wayne Rd. / 326-1270 / Elder Edward Thomas, Jr., Pastor / Sunday School—10 a.m. / Sunday Worship—12:00 p.m. / Sunday Evening Y.P.W.W.—6:30 p.m. / Prayer and Bible Study—Tuesday, 7 p.m. / Friday Worship Service—7 p.m.

MOUNT OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH—35565 Beverly Rd. / 729-2460 / James Thompson, Pastor / 531-1285 / Sunday School—9:30 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Wednesday Prayer Meeting—6:30 p.m. / Wednesday Bible Study—7 p.m.

NEW FAITH CHAPEL—19498 Middlebelt Rd. / 783-1490 / Curt Swick, Pastor / 381-5630 / Sunday Morning Worship—10:30 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6:00 p.m. / Wednesday Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

PARKS MEMORIAL A.M.E.—11547 Grover St. / 941-0771 / Rev. Jeffery Baker, Pastor / Sunday School—9:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Wednesday Bible Study—6 p.m.

PENTECOSTAL MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH—35625 Vinewood St. / 728-1390 / Rev. Arthur C. Willis, Pastor / 548-5954 / Sunday School—10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11:30 a.m. / Wednesday Bible Study—6:30 p.m.

ROMULUS FREEWILL BAPTIST CHURCH—9900 Tobine / 941-8810

ROMULUS WESLEYAN CHURCH—37300 Goddard Rd. (5 Points) / 941-1511 / Rev. Donald McClellan, Pastor / 941-4167 / Enrichment Hour—9:45 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—10:45 a.m. / Sunday Evening Celebration—6 p.m. / Family Night—Wednesday, 7 p.m.

SAINT ALOYSIUS CATHOLIC CHURCH—11280 Ozga Rd. / 941-5056 / Daily Mass: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, & Friday—9 a.m. / Communion Service on Thursday at 9 a.m. / Weekend Masses: Saturday—6 p.m., Sunday—9 a.m. & 11 a.m. / Holy Day Masses: 9 a.m., 12 Noon, & 7 p.m. / Vigil Mass (evening prior to Holy Day): 7 p.m. / Confessions: Saturday—4:30 to 5 p.m.

SAINT CITY CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST—7335 Washington / 595-0629 / Pastor: Elder James Lee Whitehead / Sunday School—9:30 p.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—10:45 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—7 p.m. / Sunday Evening Radio Broadcast on WMUZ-FM 103.5 at 7:30 p.m. / Tuesday Evening Bible Study & Youth Night—7 p.m. / Choir Rehearsal—Tuesday, 8:30 p.m. / Friday Evening Family Night—7 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH—19109 Craig (Post Office 274), New Boston / Robert Allmann, Pastor / Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, & Confirmation Class—9:30 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—8 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. / Wednesday Worship—7:30 p.m. / Thursday Evening Bible Class—7 p.m. to 9 p.m. / Organists: Mrs. Ruth Richert & Mr. Robert Walton / Attended Nursery

SALVATION ARMY—33750 Goddard Rd. / 941-5100

SECOND MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH—11242 Grover St. / 941-0330

STAR OF BETHLEHEM SPIRITUAL TEMPLE—35143 Beverly Rd. / 326-4777

UNION GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH—6312 Wayne Rd. / 721-5052

WAYNECOURSE CHURCH OF CHRIST—7066 Waynecourse / 722-0454 / Earl Truss, Minister / 326-0918 / James Motley, Associate Minister: 561-3108 / Sunday Bible School—10 a.m. / Sunday Morning Worship—11 a.m. / Sunday Evening Worship—6 p.m. / Wednesday Bible Study—7 p.m.

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ENGAGEMENT/WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT FORM

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Date of Engagement _____
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Name and phone number of person to contact (in case of questions): _____

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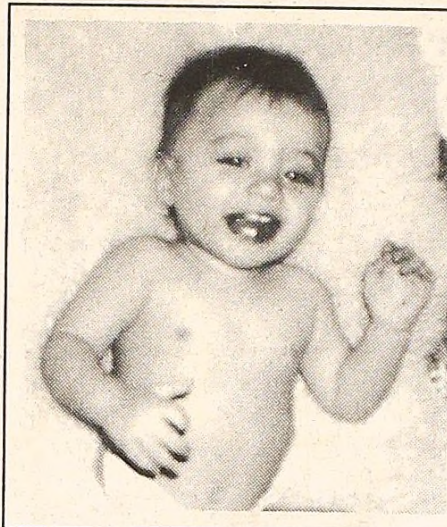
The Stork Arrived

Arville Thomas Cole

Proudly announcing the birth of their first child, Arville Thomas Cole III, are Arville T. Cole, Jr. and Carrie Hasley of Romulus.

Arville was born in Hutzel Hospital (Detroit, MI) at 6:21 p.m. on Sunday, January 16, 1994, weighing in at eight pounds, eight ounces, and measuring 20 inches in length.

Arville's paternal grandfather is Arville T. Cole, Sr. (Romulus, MI); his maternal grandmother is Marian Hasley (Romulus, MI). □



Wedding Bells

Rodney W. Schalte/Sherill Ann Greca

Soon to be married are Rodney W. Schalte and Sherill Ann Greca of Romulus, Michigan.

The couple, who became engaged on August 13, 1994, will exchange their vows at St. Aloysius Catholic Church (Romulus, MI) on Saturday, May 27, 1995.

Acting as best man for the groom will be Mathew Avery; the bride's maid of honor will be Elizabeth Greca.

A reception, to be held at the Germania Hall (Brownstown, MI), will follow the ceremony.

Rodney is the son of Don and Debbie Schalte of Romulus. Sherill's parents are Thomas and Marsha Greca, also of Romulus. □



Obituaries

Gerald Diepenhorst

Gerald Diepenhorst of Cape Coral, Florida, died on Thursday, May 4, 1995, at the age of 73.

A retired automotive engineer and a United States Army veteran of World War II, Gerald was born on March 3, 1922, in Romulus, Michigan, where he lived all his life until 1977.

Gerald is survived by his wife, Betty J. (Walters) Diepenhorst; sons William (Taylor, MI) and Gerald Diepenhorst (Ypsilanti, MI); stepsons James Walters (Onaway, MI), Thomas Higgins (Belleville, MI), Dale Walters (Portland, MI), and Ronald E. Walters (Romulus, MI); daughters Ms. Mary Lou Lynch (Wyan-

dotte, MI), Mrs. Steven (Flora) Enzer (Brooklyn, MI), Mrs. Charlie (Marie) "Susan" Aagenas (Ann Arbor, MI), Mrs. Manuel (Janet) Farrugia (Detroit, MI), and Mrs. Arthur (Amy) Meisel (Flint, MI); and stepdaughter Mrs. Mitchell (Shirley) Omnsbee (Kingsley, MI).

Funeral services were held on Monday, May 8, at Crane Funeral Home (Romulus, MI), with the Reverend Robert R. Malsack (Brooklyn Presbyterian Church) officiating. Cremation arrangements were handled by Tri-County Cremation Services (Ypsilanti, MI).

Memorial tributes may be made to the American Heart Association. □

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